

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A decorated character image is formed by arranging at least one decorated character formed by providing a desired character decoration on at least one arbitrary character, on an arbitrary background, with a character color being set to a character portion corresponding to the at least one arbitrary character, and a decorative color being set to a decorative portion corresponding to a portion formed by the desired character decoration. The decorated character image includes the character portion, the decorative portion, and a background portion formed by removing the character portion and the decorative portion from the background. At least one predetermined first default color is each set to a corresponding one of at least one of the character color and the decorative color, when arbitrary setting of the at least one of the character color and the decorative character is omitted. When a combination of the character color and the decorative color makes the character portion and the decorative portion difficult to discriminate from each other, a predetermined second default color is set to one of the character color and the decorative color. The decorated character image is formed by coloring the character portion and the decorative portion with the character color and the decorative color, respectively.